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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

I only have this phone service in case of emergencies and carry the phone in my car for safety when traveling in Minnesota winters. (I daily drive 20 miles through rural country to get to work.) Thanksfully, most months I make no calls at all. I feel that it is very unfair that I will be charged the same amount as someone who uses their phone all the time for business or other purposes. Please reconsider this "blanket" policy as it is unfairly penalizes me and the many others who are in the same position. I'm sure you can find a much more equitable solution.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Vicki Rudenick
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CC: FCC Subcommittee Members